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FM AMEMBASSY TAIPEI

TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 5512

INFO CINCPAC REP GUAM FOR SENIOR CIVIL ADMINISTRATOR

AMEMBASSY SINGAPORE

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C O R R E C T E D C O P Y (TEXT)

FOR IATF

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SUBJ: INDOCHINA REFUGEES IN TAIWAN

REF: A) TAIPEI 3234 B) STATE 133135

1. EMB WOULD LIKE TO CALL DEPARTMENT'S ATTENTION TO DESPERATE PLIGHT OF VIETNAMESE REFUGEES ABOARD TWO PANAMANIAN REGISTRY VESSELS NOW IN PORT IN TAIWAN. THERE ARE 34 REFUGEES ABOARD SS HAI PENG IN KAOHSIUNG HARBOR AND 60 REFUGUEES ABOARD SS AFFLUENT COUNTRY IN KEELUNG HARBOR. CONDITIONS FOR REFUGEES ABOARD THESE TWO VESSELS ARE AS HARROWING AND POTENTIALLY DANGEROUS AS THOSE ON SS SINGAPORE DESCRIBED IN TAIPEI 2803.

2. THESE REFUGEES HAVE ALREADY BEEN REFUSED AT NUMEROUS FAR EAST PORTS AND IT IS EXTREMELY UNLIKELY THEY WILL BE ACCEPTED ELSEWHERE. HAI PENG GROUP INCLUDES 20
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CHILDREN UNDER 15 AND AFFLUENT COUNTRY HAS 26 CHILDREN

UNDER 15.

3. BOTH GROUPS HAVE BEEN ABOARD SHIPS FOR MORE THAN ONE MONTH AND MANY, PARTICULARLY CHILDREN, HAVE FALLEN ILL WITH DIARRHEA, EYE INFECTIONS, ETC., RESULTING FROM PRIMITIVE CONDITIONS AND POOR SANITATION. PRELIMINARY INFORMATION INDICATES THAT AT LEAST ONE THIRD OF REFUGEES MAY QUALIFY FOR PAROLE UNDER GUIDELINES OF PARA 3 OF STATE 124502.

4. AS OUTLINED IN REF A, GROC IS WILLING TO ACCEPT THESE REFUGEES ON SAME BASIS AS THOSE FROM SS SINGAPORE

AND GLORIOUS COUNTRY, UPON US ASSURANCES THAT THEY WILL LATER BE ACCEPTED INTO US REFUGEE PIPELINE.

5. ACTION REQUESTED: PROMPT ACTION NECESSARY AND REQUESTED FOR AUTHORIZATION TO ASSURE GROC THAT REFUGEES ABOARD THESE TWO VESSELS WILL BE ACCEPTED INTO US PIPELINE.

6. SINCE DRAFTING OF FOREGOING WE HAVE BEEN ADVISED

INFORMALLY BY LOW-LEVEL MOFA SOURCE THAT SS AFFLUENT COUNTRY HAS JUST DEPARTED KEELUNG ENROUTE TO SINGAPORE WHERE IT IS EXPECTED ABOUT JUNE 15 FOR UNKNOWN PERIOD OF TIME. DEPT PLEASE INCLUDE SINGAPORE AS POSSIBLE ACTION ADDRESSEE. HOWEVER, IF DEPT CAN PROVIDE AUTHORIZATION QUICKLY AS REQUESTED IN PARA 5, EMBASSY WILL MAKE EFFORT THROUGH SHIP'S AGENT TO HAVE SHIP RECALLED TO KAOHSIUNG.

7. DEPT PLEASE REPLY BY NIACT IMMEDIATE.
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